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BASE PAN AND CABINET FOR AN AIR

CONDITIONER

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### INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

Attached are copies of U.S. Patents 4,153,310; 4,471,633; 4,723,419; 4,748,827; 4,748,828; 5,294,195; 5,306,121; 6,068,048; and, 6,168,248. These are patents of which applicants are aware which an Examiner might find pertinent in the examination of the above-referenced patent application.

The '301 patent is directed to an outdoor section for an air conditioner and, in particular, the controls housing thereof.

The '633 patent is directed to a base for an air conditioning unit.

The '419 patent is directed to an outdoor section of an air conditioner and is the predecessor to the air conditioner cabinet which is the subject of the present patent application.

The '827 patent is directed to an outdoor air conditioning section and to the support of the coil therein.

The '828 patent is likewise directed to an outdoor air conditioning section and the support of the coil therein.

The `195 patent is directed to an outdoor air conditioning section and the top cover therefor.

The '121 patent is directed to a mounting arrangement for a compressor on the base of an air conditioner.

The '048 patent is directed to a wire harness through which electrical wiring is directed in an outdoor air conditioning section.

The wire harness is anchored to the coil.

The '248 is directed to a base pan, wrapper and top combination for an air conditioning system and disclosed various features associated therewith.

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Attached is a copy of the "Notice of References Cited" (PTO-892) prepared by the Examiner in the parent application of the present divisional patent application. Applicants note that none of the references listed in the PTO-892 form were cited or referred to by the Examiner in the parent application except to be listed on the PTO-892 form.

Claims 1-25 in the parent application were allowed as filed and the attached PTO-892 was received attached to the Notice of Allowability and Notice of Allowance for those claims in the parent application. Applicants note that they were not provided copies of the references listed on the PTO-892 form and for that reason and because no discussion or citation of these references was made by the Examiner in the parent application, copies of the patents on the PTO-892 form are not attached. Applicants also note that the third reference on the PTO-892 form (US-4,723,419) was, in fact, noted in the Information Disclosure Statement submitted by applicant in the parent application.

Applicants are submitting this copy of the PTO-892 form to ensure the Examiner in the present divisional application is aware that the Examiner in the parent application identified the patents listed on the PTO-892 form in the parent application but did not cite or refer to those patents in allowing claims 1-25 in the parent application.

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